

Survey Results Appendix

Please share other comments or suggestions regarding bicycling, walking or running in Chesterfield County.

Comment Number	Survey Response
1	#1 priority ~ I need a SAFE (North - South) Rt 1 / 301 bicycle route. Please do something to save Bike commuters from inattentive drivers. Cell phones in cars Kill bicyclist.
2	1. If you put in sidewalks, county residents will use them. Look at Cosby High School and the Fox Club Parkway, or the sidewalks in the vicinity of Monacan; residents are strolling/walking/jogging/running.2. Hull Street Road needs have the outside (right hand) lanes wider to accommodate motorized vehicles and bicycles.3. Chesterfield County should require all new developments to have sidewalks.4. Chesterfield County should require that all new and updated roads include sidewalks and accommodations for bicycling.
3	6 weeks ago I was hit by a car while riding my bike in a state designated bike lane - safety is now the highest priority to me. I know of 4 others who have been hit in the past month. Biking in the US/Virginia is not taken seriously by car drivers, as it is in most other countries. Without preventative measures (lanes with protective barriers or offset from the road) and enforcement of rules (3 foot clearance from bikes), adding more bicyclists is going to increase the number of injuries/deaths.
4	A good place I've found to put a path in Chester is from end of Mason Ave. to Ball field area behind Lowes. This could extend area all the way to John Tyler and by-pass congested Rt.1 & Rt. 10 area. Just riding through shopping centers in that area is dangerous. Don't like riding on sidewalks along Rt. 10 - don't feel like I belong there, but DEFINITELY don't feel safe on Rt. 10.Need to change attitudes. It seems the larger the pick up truck, the more aggressive towards bicyclist. i.e. F-150 - bad, but F-350 - they try to take you out with the extended fenders and mirrors.
5	A lot of people say don't waste the money. Having come from Michigan where rails to trails is strong I can only say that on days you will see young and old out and about. Its a great investment in the area and it is the old adage = build it and they will come
6	A miniscule portion of the population regularly uses trails and bike paths, I believe around 3 percent. It's the other 97 percent of us that get stuck with the bill.
7	Adding the infrastructure would not only increase property value, but will help fight obesity in our county.
8	Afar better use of tax money than many existing programs

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9	After 20+ years of living in Henrico County and the City of Richmond, we bought a home in Chesterfield County and could not be happier. We love the county and are still exploring all it has to offer. Thank you for providing this survey.
10	All bike paths and walking paths should be away from all 35-65 mph traffic. Traffic causes air and noise pollution and we don't want to breath air pollution nor be nervous of traffic noise while we are walking and biking. Many people also use ear plugs listening to their cell phones and cant hear traffic...just another reason to stay away from traffic. Security patrol officers on bike should be highly recommended. Emergency help lines and or flashing emergency light poles should be within every mile/block of trails. I feel security is more important than lockers, bathrooms and sinks.
11	All future roads need separate bicycle and pedestrian paths, apart from the road
12	All new development should be required to include walkways and bikeways. Most existing areas should have short or long term plans to add walkways and bikeways.
13	All new subdivision (developers) should be required to install sidewalks within the subdivision. The county should focus on the part of the county that adjoins the city of Richmond (Bon Air / Midlothian Area), where the majority of people live, shop, and dine. Focusing on parts of the county where people do not go is pointless, nobody is going to drive someplace to walk unless it is a park.
14	Although it is not a need of mine now, there needs to be better pedestrian access to schools. having all children ride a bus is not healthy and costs way too much \$. There are recommended walking distances for school children and Chesterfield should do everything in its power to make sure they provide those opportunities for youth.
15	Any road project should have a 1% set-aside to improve walking and biking. Private or nearby neighborhood associations can have option to upgrade. Find green spaces (such as Rockwood and Ironwood) and make sure paths connect them.
16	Anything with a dedicated paved trail. not just something along side the road. Something like the Capital trail with its own path. that is something I would drive to, park, and bike.
17	As a driver I want to have bicyclers and walkers be separated so motor vehicle passing is not scary to the riders or walkers. Would like to see the US Route 1 Bicycle Route be upgraded throughout Chesterfield County as it would serve as a base for both local and long distance riders. Also might be something that would attract funding from outside the County. When any development occurs along a designated bicycle route the road design should include bicycle pathways. This should have been done on Winterfield Road near Midlothian Turnpike where the failed apartment project was to be located. The project did install a circle but it could have included bicycle lanes.

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18	As far as cycling, there is a lot of discussion regarding automobiles respecting cyclists while on the road. While this is true, and needs to occur, cyclists need to respect the rules of the road, i.e., stopping at stop signs/red lights, yielding to pedestrians in a crosswalk, moving out of the way if you are impeding traffic, etc. I cannot count on both hands the number of times a cyclist has run through a red light in front of me or times when I have almost gotten hit by a cyclist who did not stop for me when I was in the cross walk. Until bikers are forced, one way or another, to obey the rules of the road, this plan is all for naught.
19	Bicycling currently does not feel like a safe and realistic option for local transportation and recreation. While residents in the city of Richmond are pushing for evermore bicycling infrastructure improvements, which are needed, the difference between the experience bicycling in Richmond versus Chesterfield is like night and day. We can do so much better!
20	Bicycling is the way. Who doesn't like to do it?
21	Bike Access to BUS ROUTES
22	Bike lanes are great, but even when I worked at VDOT I argued that separate trails served more people, WHEN MAINTAINED. Fairfax County has a great system of trails which are heavily used. I would frequently use a trail along Old Bon Air Road from Iron Mill to Robious. The right of way is already there for most of the route, and there are destinations on both ends.
23	Bike lanes must be cleaned on a regular basis or cyclists won't use them. Sand, glass and other debris will accumulate which will lead to flats.
24	Bike lanes would be great as long as they don't abruptly end and dump you back into traffic. Education for motorists is essential - most don't know the laws concerning cyclists and turn in front of us, don't give us adequate room when passing, or are simply jerks and yell and throw things at us. Several people I know have been threatened by motorists just for being on the road. Many think road cyclists should cycle on the sidewalk! Run/walk trails would be nice but aren't essential. Please consider building more sidewalks so we don't have to run in the road. For example, the section of Charter Colony Parkway between Rolling Spring Drive and Genito would be great - that opens up a whole new section to run in.
25	Bike path along Midlo turnpike would be excellent!
26	Bike Route #1 may have made sense many years ago, but it is a disaster nowadays--for example, the stretch along Winterfield Rd. The bike lane along the north side of Robious Road west of Salisbury Rd. is sad--it ends within sight of the Ashwell Road intersection. When they rebuild Huguenot Trail (Robious Road) between Winterfield and 288, I hope they add bike lanes, and then extend them east along Robious to the end of the existing bike lanes. Or better yet, add a shared use path along the road instead of bike lanes in the road, which are scary to share with heavily caffeinated drivers speeding along Robious Road to get to their ACAC workout class.

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27	Bikeable/ walkable communities are the places people want to live, work and play. Let's get going!
28	Biker education - signs that advise bikers how to signal - and DRIVER education - Drivers routinely pull out in front of bikes- not knowing (I believe) that bikes should be treated like cars - i.e., wait to turn left when a bike is crossing. Riding a bike or running on the road is like a silent contract you have with cars... you have to trust that they will respect you and give you space. Many times that is not the case, car drivers HATE bikers and runners taking up THEIR space on the road. Conversely, some bikers don't yield to traffic , drive as if they expect cars to stop for them - and are rude to vehicle traffic... We have reached the time for education and devoted lanes/paths/etc./ -- My fear is this will come with increased taxes-- PPT on bikes; registration; licensing, etc....
29	Biking is recreational and not transportation. Do not use transportation money for improved or rehabbed bike ways.
30	Blistering temperatures, high humidity, and mosquitos preclude my biking or walking "extra" during warm weather months, which is about half the year.
31	Buford road needs sidewalks and or bike lanes because it's not safe to walk or ride on, but is a major conduit to and from Chesterfield/Downtown.
32	Camp baker have international staff work there for 3 months a year. Most of them don't have any means have transport so they walk to the shops and to the local bar. There are no side walks or cycle paths and it is very dangerous!
33	CC has a pathetic approach to bikes - no arteries into city; bike lanes that go nowhere & disappear at key intersections; lot of talk w/out action
34	Chesterfield Comprehensive Linear Park Facilities Plan should be followed with additional actions to complete the East Coast Greenways, and partner with members of the Richmond and Crater Planning District Commissions on the James and Appomattox River Plans. Pocahontas State Park must have connections with Richmond and Swift Creek Conservation area. We need more sidewalks, more separated bike pathways and neighborhood connections.
35	Chesterfield county could greatly benefit from more shared use paths particularly along High Power Line right of ways. Better pedestrian signaling and crosswalks as well.
36	Chesterfield County has my full and complete support to improve and construct infrastructure for biking and walking.
37	Chesterfield County should devote more resources to these activities. Quality of life is very important and these activities benefit us in so many ways. When my wife retires next year we are seriously considering moving to an area that is not as densely populated and offers opportunities for these activities.

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38	Chesterfield County's biking / running / walking infrastructure is very poor. It seems like the entire county was designed to have to drive everywhere. I love to ride my road bike and I am a regular runner, but I often do not feel safe on the roads as there is no shoulder or sidewalk in many areas. I suggest that the county planners take a trip to NOVA, DC, Boulder Colorado, or even New York City to see how much the county could improve upon its biking / walking / running infrastructure.
39	Chesterfield has done a excellent job keeping green space but the fast growth in the west and old transportation plans in the east and south do not encourage biking or running. As roads are built and older one resurfaced they should be required to be widened to allow for at least a bike lane. Also, sidewalks should be required.
40	Chesterfield is a beautiful county I would love to see it more accessible and to see people out being more active.
41	Chesterfield is a County ripe for real progressive development. We're continually out growing our infrastructure with no thought towards biking/walking. We are a small enough County that biking across it is not very difficult.
42	Chesterfield is a great place to ride bikes and run, however many roads in the rural part of the county (which are best for bike riding due to lower traffic volumes) are narrow and motorists are not courteous to bike riders and pass unsafely across the double yellow line and on blind curves. A serious accident is inevitable because of motorists who cannot slow down for cyclists. Motorists assume that bike riders must follow the same laws as cars but that is not 100% true. There are specific laws for cyclists. Motorists do not seem to realize that in Virginia, a bicycle is considered a vehicle. Cyclists are allowed to ride 2 abreast unless impeding the flow of traffic.
43	Chesterfield is in desperate need for sidewalks and more bike lanes.
44	Chesterfield is lousy for pedestrians and that should be of concern for a suburban area. I'm glad this is being focused on.
45	Chesterfield is one of the least bike-friendly locations around this part of the state. We often load our bikes up and drive elsewhere to bike. Narrow shoulders, lack of bike lanes, and confrontational motorists are the main reasons. Many motorists are courteous, its only a few that are troublesome. But Chesterfield seems to have more of the troublesome sort than other localities.
46	Chesterfield needs to do better job of trying to get people out of their cars. many of my trips are less than 5 miles. If people had safe ways of getting around, it would give kids more freedom from depending on parents to drive them everywhere and increase the health of the community through exercise and less pollution.
47	Chesterfield needs to take notes from Richmond. They are starting to get it right.
48	CHILDREN SHOULD BE ABLE TO WALK, OR BIKE TO SCHOOL. CHESTERFIELD COUNTRY SHOULD LOOK INTO PROVIDING SUITABLE SAFE PATHWAYS AND BIKE-PATHS FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN AND ADULTS.

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49	Communities need to be planned and developed as mixed use communities - combining housing with schools, shopping, restaurants and even retail and office - so communities can be more walkable and bikeable. Also, increase bus service to connect communities to jobs, shopping and business. GRTC buses have bike racks so you can connect the start and end of the trip by bike. All shopping centers should have bike racks paid for by the developer or property management, not tax payers.
50	Connect Stony Point Shopping center area to Chippenham Hospital via (Buford Rd/McRae, Bon View/Jahnke) I feel crowd funding is much easier on very visible community empowerment projects. The big resistance will come from homeowners on the bike path. They must be compensated financially (abundantly) and given liability protection. I think crowd funding is able to over come this financial roadblock. The county should not contribute the tax base because of too much resistance in that area but can help with and organization, direction & legal framework. Perceptions and PR will make or break this project so that should also be a big consideration. Thank you for allowing my input.
51	Connected linear parks, within, and to other surrounding city and county trail systems, are the way to go.
52	Connecting neighborhoods with a path
53	Connecting trails to existing parks. Falling Creek and the James River provide ideal locations for a shared use path.
54	Connectors between neighborhoods would be great - really looking forward to some nice greenways in Chesterfield County
55	Continued education regarding bicycling safety and laws continued sponsorships of cycling events (like world championship) continued education on health benefits of exercise
56	Cooperative planning with city to make seamless transition for the walker & bicycle rider.
57	Cost share sidewalk building with neighborhood property owners -- owner pays half, county pays half.
58	Current bike lanes are unsafe. Want dedicated sidewalks further Dow the road extended to us (Charter Woods)
59	Currently I commute to Chesterfield 3+ days a week. on Iron Bridge Rd. While there is a bike lane the majority of the way which I am grateful for. I would like to see more education for people who are driving. It seems like most are very unaware that I am there or, are very upset that I am i.e. blowing there horn or cutting me off. I'm very excited about this initiative!
60	Currently my family utilizes surrounding neighborhood trails (Brandermill/Woodlake) for recreation purposes with our children. This requires driving to these destinations. Additionally, we are generally reluctant to bicycle/walk/run near our current location for any distances due to lack of safety from local traffic. One large amenity and draw for the northern Virginia area is the large network of trails and sidewalks available.

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61	Definitely need more bike/walking trails but I would caution planners to be very thoughtful about avoiding too much paving and/or disruption of natural green areas.
62	Developers should be required to incorporate multi-use paths into their plans. Schools and parks should be connected to each other and neighborhoods. Citizens today want to be able to run or bike to a destination and get things done. There are great opportunities on the horizon.
63	Developers should put in pedestrian access, esp. to local schools. Many children could walk to school who are currently being bussed. Crossing guards and sidewalks are healthier and cheaper than buses.
64	Do not see the need.
65	Doesn't have to be pretty even a crush and run path on the side of a road (Woolridge road expansion for example) can be a great improvement.
66	don't do half way without any destination. It is really bad if you start on a nice way and it just stops in the middle of nowhere.. And suddenly you are in the middle of a high traffic lane..
67	Don't forget that these things need staff to function properly. The county needs to have long term plans for staffing. We are missing the former staffing levels at our local parks.
68	Don't forget to improve ramps on sidewalks, onto roads. Teach bike safety and etiquette.
69	Don't know much about the plan; will investigate more.
70	Don't really want them to be called the "Altria" walkways. Would prefer they be named something if anything more significant to the area and the people here.
71	Driver education is important. increases in awareness of bike safety through effective law enforcement would be nice too. very surprising even on roads with bike lanes how careless drivers are of bikers - drive very close to bikers, cut off bikers, don't yield to bikers, etc. may not hurt to mandate road cyclers to take a safety course (which could be offered through the numerous local clubs and bike shops). local government could do a great service by using their public relations efforts to raise awareness through local media, social media, and events too! bike lanes may put more bikers on the roads which ultimately increase the probability of related accidents. So it needs to be a a-z initiative. thanks.
72	Due to a lack of safe and accessible places to go, children spend a lot of time at home when they could be out doing things. An increase in trails would increase the ability for working parents to get out of the house with their children more often and create a healthier generation.
73	Educate motorists about being more aware of cyclists. Also, educate cyclists about the value of being courteous to motorists.
74	Educating the public that bicyclists are allowed on the road and allowed access. common practices of driving around bicyclists.

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75	Europe does it right. Investigate what other states and countries do. It would be nice to be at the forefront of all this. Chesterfield is so behind in all this. You just have to look around you and see how many people are taking to the roads with their bikes and how many people are now walking or running and there is no place for them because Chesterfield did not accommodate them or tell the developer what to do. Look at the young people walking along Hull St trying to get to their restaurant jobs and having to walk along the road or carve a path in the dirt. Look at the serious bikers all bunched up on a two lane road almost getting run over. Look at the kids trying to get to the stores from Woodlake and dangerously crossing over Hull St. What about the kids who want to skate board and there is no place for them? No skate board park nearby or anywhere in Chesterfield for them. Only signs that say they can't skate board anywhere. Why not create a park for them right in the middle of a huge parking lot near fast food or shops so they can entertain themselves and meet friends? Chesterfield is old fashioned and outdated. They want us all to stay home and get fat.
76	Even if 18 to 20 inches of pavement could be added to make some shoulders it would greatly increase bike safety. Need to have more education to drivers about how and when to pass cyclists and much more bike warning signs. Would like to see a bike/walk path from brandermill (accessible from harbor pointe) to Pocahontas.
77	Exciting to many bikers to have the county committed to offering safe and fun pathways to ride!
78	Fantastic you are even thinking about this.
79	Find ways to accommodate bikes on ALL roads; connect neighborhoods with paths; make bicycle awareness and road sharing part of all high school driver training or other driver training. The more awareness and understanding, the better chances that vehicle drivers will be better prepared and more patient.
80	Focus on roadways that aren't safe for pedestrians.
81	Genito Road needs a shoulder lane for bikes
82	Going in or out my neighborhood, there is no side walks. We should start with that.
83	Good to see the County moving forward with this.
84	Great idea, there are not nearly enough bike paths, separate or marked in traffic to ride here based on population. I moved here from WI 3 yrs ago and there is no comparison. I am glad this is getting the attention that it is in the Richmond area.
85	Have been an avid ride and runner for many years. Distracted drivers are a constant threat. Almost get hit every time crossing Chester road if there is any traffic. Despite yield to pedestrian signs and waiting to see the way clear. Drivers go too fast and are on cell phones. Refuse to stop or yield after we are already in middle of road.
86	Have paths/trails also interconnect to historical sites.

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87	Having spent a number of years living in Europe. I appreciated the extensive bike and walking trails infrastructure that allowed one to travel to just about any destination one wanted to go to. It was good for the environment and good for my health. If available I would use my bike for primary transportation to various activities that I am now forced to use my car. I hope the county is aggressive in this venture I see it as a positive step for the future of the county and its residents.
88	Having the infrastructure in place really does encourage more people to get out and move around. This doesn't just improve the health of the community's citizens, but it adds a layer of social interaction that improves the quality of life in the community as well. People begin to recognize each other and build relationships that strengthen the community as a whole.
89	Hold out purchasing more land for parks & direct those funds to upgrading parks that are currently in use. For example, Cloverhill Athletic park should have running water and better bathroom facilities before adding another park somewhere else in the County.
90	Hoping progress can be made.
91	Hull St Rd has sidewalks but we can't safely get to them from Bailey Bridge Rd at this time.
92	Hull street is very problematic and that's where I live. I'd like to see something done to make that area more friendly to bikers, walkers, and runners. I would like for my kids to be able to ride to school or the store but it just isn't safe.
93	Hull Street Road could use a broader shoulder from Wamsley to Courthouse. This would capture several populous neighborhoods and lead them to Pocahontas and Rockwood. Connect Brandermill area to Courthouse via a bike lane on Genito.
94	I am a former resident of Chesterfield County. I used to live in the Chester area. One of the major factors that influenced my move to the city, was that the area was not conducive to biking and running.
95	I am a public school teacher (Governor's School for Government and International Studies) so I will never complain about having to pay taxes. I checked off "County dollars allocated to bikeway and trail facilities" only because I know that no one will check off tax or fee box. I also know that county dollars COME from tax dollars, so I guess that is why you put that there. I am perfectly fine with you using my tax dollars for making Chesterfield a better place to live.
96	I am excited that Chesterfield County is finally putting a plan in place to create bike/walking trails for citizens. This is a service that is long overdue. If tax money was currently managed more appropriately, I would be in favor of a tax increase, but until the county cuts out the excess unnecessary expenses that I know from experience are there, I am not in favor of a tax increase. This seems to be a concern for government officials when citizens want more services but are not in favor of a tax increase.
97	I am not getting any younger so please hurry up and provide bike and walking trails.

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98	I am pleased to see that the county is making a serious effort to make Chesterfield a more cycling-friendly community. Perhaps we could aspire to become the Portland, Oregon of the east. When I visited Portland a couple of years ago, I was amazed at what the city had done to put the safety of cyclists ahead of the convenience of car and truck drivers.
99	I am seriously considering leaving the county because of lack of access to services by foot or pedal. Younger generations, high net worth people feel the same way. you will attract more high net worth with better access.
100	I am so glad we are giving this subject attention!!!!
101	I am so happy that this conversation is taking place. I would love to see a biking-friendly, walking-friendly Chesterfield County.
102	I am so please to see this plan happening! It's time for the County to really invest in pedestrian and bicycle amenities, and green space as well -- particularly in the older neighborhoods close-in, where we are at a critical point in attracting young families which means supporting active transportation (bike ped). It will also have an enormous benefit to older residents and keeping them active. A systematic network planning approach that identifies "low hanging fruit" from a costs and property/easement standpoint is needed. Shared use paths are fantastic and can have an enormous impact, but should not be the sole focus -- much can be accomplished with small connections and eliminations of existing barriers. Connect the neighborhoods to the commercial areas and public facilities for pedestrians and bicyclists, and you will go a long way in making the County a more livable, enjoyable place to live in, work in, and invest in.
103	I appreciate all the County does with its limited budget. More sidewalks in the areas I have indicated would be a tremendous resource to my family, and we would support increases in local taxes to see that happen, even if that puts us in the minority. Thank you for creating this survey. Kim M. (training for my first marathon)
104	I believe it is great that you all are looking into this since it is in my opinion unsafe to be riding a bike outside of a few roads in the County. It has been a frustration over the past few years since moving here that it is hard to find a safe place around here to go out and ride.
105	I believe there is a lot of pent-up demand for safe cycling infra-structure.
106	I believe there is a significant bike culture in this county and high interest in having the biking infrastructure to ride over distances. However, it is almost impossible because many of the major roads do not have bike lanes or shoulders to enable one to ride safely. So what happens is many riders go to other counties and ride
107	I bike for exercise on a regular basis. We also ride around our neighborhood as a family. I am interested in the possibility of being able to ride for something beside exercise, like going to the store, out to eat etc. I would like to help educate drivers more about safe driving around pedestrians and cyclists.

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108	I broke my ankle on 1/1/14 on a county maintained section of Salisbury Road. Stepped in a hole in the grass and fractured it. There was no sidewalk to walk on. I would love to be able to walk or ride by bike to Huguenot Park from the Roxshire subdivision but cannot cross Huguenot and Robious Road.
109	I can see the increase in pedestrian and bicycle activity. We need to keep building on that uptick in the shift.
110	I cannot believe during hunting season, hunters must wear orange in Pocahontas Park but bicyclist, hikers and joggers, and citizen walking their dogs are not required to wear the orange. Crazy rules especially when it comes to safety.
111	I coordinate a weekly walking group. One of the issues that I face is finding courses that are safe. We often have to walk on the side of the road because a sidewalk simply ends. The other issue is that we have no crosswalks. Midlothian should be more walker friendly. As for biking, I love riding my bike. However, I rarely, if ever, do it around my home because there is no where that is safe. There is not ample roadway for bikes to ride along the side of the main road and cars pass too fast and close. It is too dangerous. So I take my bike and go elsewhere to ride.
112	I currently live off Otterdale Road between Genito and Duval. I have 3 elementary aged children. Currently, several of their friends live in the neighborhoods along Otterdale Rd. They often want to visit and play with them. Each time I have to take a car to drive them less than 5 miles because it is too dangerous to ride a bike on Otterdale Road. Prior to living off of Otterdale Road we lived in the Grove off of Woolridge. We loved the neighborhood because it had dedicated bike/walk trails plus there was a tunnel that went underneath Woolridge road that allowed the kids to safely reach the library, park and neighborhoods on the other side of Woolridge road. Unfortunately, we had to move from our townhome because we were running out of room in our cramped townhome. Since that time I have become increasingly frustrated with the lack of safe riding areas within the county. I am glad to see the county is taking the time to look into adding this opportunity to make bike riding and walking safer in the county. I really hope to see this issue become a higher priority for the county.
113	I did a workshop on Greenways over 10 years ago at the old Clover Hill H.S. Nothing has occurred. Will this result be any different?
114	I do not like driving on major roads with bicyclists. I am worried that I might not see them and hit them. It would be better for bicyclists to have their own paths separated from the road or trails in our parks. It is too dangerous to mix vehicles and bicycles. More sidewalks are needed so that people can walk to destinations close to their homes. Especially areas of low income where people have limited transportation.
115	I don't support increasing taxes for this. I do support better allocation of county tax dollars. Quit supporting programs that encourage unhealthy life styles and laziness and put tax payer dollars to better use.

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116	I enjoy riding through the county although traffic is often a factor for not doing so. I think that if there were more connected bike lanes and increase of bicycle awareness type signs, it would be easier to bike from one place to another through the county.
117	I feel trapped in my development due to the inability to run or bike on Beach Road, and would love to see the creation of a bike lane, especially with Pocahontas State Park being such a wonderful biking destination. I also see several bikers biking to Pocahontas, coming from Rt 10, and feel strongly that this is unsafe. Thanks!!
118	I grew up in a town of 25,000 (grid design) where I rode nearly everywhere. Chesterfield has certain areas to ride (neighborhoods), but the route is rarely continuous. Many routes are also unsafe even when they have a designated bike lane. In addition there are very few bike racks.
119	I have lived in Chesterfield County for the past fifteen years and have witnessed its growth of commercial development. The traffic has increased greatly! I often consider moving to other surrounding counties to escape the "big city" feel. Being able to safely venture out on foot or by bike would help me feel more at home here. I know it seems like a luxury to some, but this should be a priority for the county if it values the health of its residents.
120	I have lived in Germany - there are bike and walk paths everywhere between towns through the fields - I wish we'd picked a neighborhood with a bike or walk path plan in Chester - glad to see this happening - would love to see it become a reality.
121	I have mixed feelings about the new 3 feet passing rule. I fear that it will increase the "irritation" that many drivers feel towards cyclists. I commend Chesterfield County for being forward thinking regarding cycling. Separate paths would be best, protected next.
122	I hope Chesterfield gets the bike trails up and going. I think that would be a good thing for Chesterfield residence. Also more sidewalks in the Chester area and surrounding areas beyond the government center.
123	I hope this happens soon!
124	I live and work in Henrico, but I'm glad to see that Chesterfield is making bicycling, walking, and running a priority. Henrico seems to have its heels firmly stuck in the mud and doesn't want to work towards developing a bike/pedestrian infrastructure.
125	I live in the Midlothian area of Chesterfield, but I grew up in the Fan. We've been here for 4 years, but we still can't believe Midlothian's problems with traffic congestion, lack of through roads, and willingness to risk people's safety by forcing those who don't have cars to walk right beside heavy traffic. It's like the roads are deliberately set up to force people to drive, but also to make driving as unpleasant as possible. Expanding bikeways and pedestrian access in our area would really make a big impact on how pleasant it is to live in the county.
126	I look forward to a future wherein we build infrastructure that encourages biking and walking, instead of putting as many resources into more roads, empty storefronts, and "No bicycling" signs.

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127	I love the MTB trails at Pocahontas and ride there regularly. It is a destination ride, and requires planning. If the JRPS bike system could connect with Chesterfield and Pocahontas, RVA could have a world class biking community. There are a lot of very willing volunteers to help clear/build trails. Let me know how I can help.Charley804-971-5598
128	I love to run, I run almost everyday but I like trail running and would love to get into trail biking; right now in Chesterfield County the only place I know I can go and do this and not worry to much is Pocahontas State Park; I'd love to be able to get around the county via back road trails/paved roads, etc. on foot or bike as long as I don't have to worry about somebody running me over.
129	I love to walk and I am currently walking around the road and have walked almost 10 thousand miles and now in Russia.
130	I nice bike/running path to link areas of Chesterfield (from Chester to Midlothian) would be great!
131	I really appreciate the county having a group working on this!
132	I run in my subdivision (Glen Tara) at my own risk. The roads are dangerous and there are NO side walks or separated from the street. None of the neighborhoods beside mines have sidewalks , trails or even a play area either. For the most part I have to drive into the city to do 85 percent of my runs because they have both the trails and sidewalks for runners such as myself. I find it ashamed that the county ups my taxes and have nothing to show for it.
133	I run quite regularly and compete in marathons. I do not feel safe running on roads outside my general neighborhoods side streets as there are not running paths and mostly no sidewalks even on Walton Ridge Rd or Lucks Lane or any other connector roads in Midlothian. I opted to go downtown and the Fan to run longer routes. I don't like my kids crossing Midlothian Turnpike as there are NO crosswalks. I also feel cars are not tuned into pedestrians or bicycles in our county. Midlothian Turnpike is completely NOT pedestrian friendly from the Woolridge to Courthouse and further east.
134	I see people walking in the grass next to the roads because there are no paths as well as people biking on the hilly, 1 lane roads which isn't safe for drivers or bikers. Need a designated path for people to enjoy and feel safe
135	I see very high bike traffic on Old Gun Rd. It's a beautiful area to recreate, but at least some road widening for bicycle safety would be great and if there could be more parks along the river, that would be outstanding!
136	I think a regional bike and walking trail create a healthy, viable, and sustainable community.

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137	I think biking/walking/running is wonderful and keeps folks healthy. I do have concern with safety as I live off Beach/Nash Roads and when I see folks riding their bikes on the main roads, it always scares me as I observe numerous drivers who just aren't courteous and polite to biking individuals. I think bikers have every right to share the road, however, I would never ride on the main roads (especially skinny, narrow roads, curvy roads as such). I believe drivers should have more respect towards bikers and bikers should make good choices as to where to ride to protect themselves. I think there are plenty of options for safe places to walk/run in Chesterfield County. Lots of trails/walking paths, parks, etc. Great options!
138	I think Chesterfield County needs more sidewalks and street lights. My neighborhood, Lake Crystal Farms, does not have any sidewalks and not enough street lights for early morning or evening biking or running.
139	I think it is great that a plan is being worked on for bicycling in Chesterfield County but this is not the first study done in the County. Let's be sure that we don't produce a nice glossy study that is put on a bookshelf in someone's County Government Center office and forgotten. Such plans without action are worse than useless; they build up hope and enthusiasm and then it is lost when nothing happens. I fear there is the potential for this to happen unless we have strong advocates on the Board of Supervisors.
140	I think it is important to utilize areas within our park system as well as areas such as power lines that already require maintenance.
141	I think it would increase the activity level of residents if they could feel safe riding/walking our roadways with designated paths).
142	I think it's great that you are taking a serious look at these options and hope to see near future improvements to the infrastructure. Thank you!
143	I think law enforcement of existing state laws that are in place to cover cycling safety. That is enforcement for cyclists and drivers.
144	I think many times people would bike or walk more if there were sidewalks in neighborhoods, or at least on the main roads in and alongside neighborhoods. For example, along Old Centralia, the sidewalk stops and so do people walking because it is unsafe. Even in neighborhoods like Queensmill, it is impossible for police officers to truly regulate how fast people drive through there, so I am nervous about walking and running because there are no sidewalks. My mom will not walk at all except on 2 smaller roads in Queensmill. However, when I go to Woodlake, there are lots of people walking and biking along the paths. I know it can be expensive because of the piping in the ditch, but it is a good solution

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145	I think new residential neighborhoods should be required to have shared-use paths on spine roads (at a minimum) to provide safe walking / biking on the busiest road(s) in the neighborhood and to provide connectivity to pocket parks/playgrounds within the neighborhood. The paths in The Grove (where we live) literally MAKE THE NEIGHBORHOOD. Second to this point, there should be a requirement to interconnect neighborhoods at a minimum with paths. The Grove interconnects with multiple paths to Midlothian Mines Park and Queensgate, both of which can be used to get to Walton Park. These interconnections are AWESOME and are used by walkers, runners, bikers, people walking dogs, people pushing strollers, etc. ALL THE TIME. Midlothian has a nice (but too small) network of trails & sidewalks which connect The Grove, Mines Park, Walton Park (the sidewalk down Walton Park Drive is GOLD), the Midlo YMCA, the Woolridge Pond, JB Watkins E.S. and the Midlo Library, and American Family Fitness. Keep building and interconnecting! These are one of the key reasons the people like Chesterfield/Midlothian (instead of Henrico) and one of the key reasons we were ranked the # 6 Community to Live In in the US !!
146	I think the State should pay for it
147	I use and enjoy both the Pocahontas and James River trail systems. I am excited about the possibility of a connecting trail between major park networks, especially one that can support commuter traffic.
148	I used to frequent Iron Bridge Park from 1992 until the golf course was built. I was very disappointed in the decision to render almost the entire park useless for activities other than golf and softball/baseball.
149	I used to jog until a back injury but only round my neighborhood or Rockwood Park. Now I use my treadmill, or elliptical, daily walk my dogs twice round the neighborhood, Pocahontas for special days out. I also enjoy horse trail riding. I like to remain local and would cycle more but am afraid of the roads as you have a lot of narrow roads with cars travelling fast on that are not expecting cyclists and when we do see cyclists , they are usually in large groups and it takes forever to pass them and is quite dangerous for everyone on the roads.
150	I WANT DESPERATELY to see a crosswalk at Winterfield Road and Midlothian Turnpike. I would love to see separate bike and running/walking lanes along Winterfield Road. I would like for the neighborhood of Winterfield Station to be able to be linked with Salisbury with a crosswalk or something that is safe. We have a beautiful community/county that is completely pedestrian unfriendly. We should have a bike path that runs and connects throughout the county. One that people could go on for miles and miles. There are lots of volunteers who would be willing to get this going. Thanks for addressing this important issue.
151	I was always surprised by the lack if sidewalks in chesterfield co. I would love to be more active naturally as opposed to being inside working out at the gym, especially in the summer. We belong to a nearby pool, and have to drive there to use it. It would be great to ride our bikes there.

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152	I wish my children could gain independence by being able to walk/bike to neighboring subdivisions
153	I would absolutely LOVE to be able to walk, bike, and run to more places. Being able to incorporate my exercise into my everyday chores, tasks, and errands would make them more enjoyable, and make my day more efficient.
154	I would dearly love for Chesterfield to be a more bikeable walkable place. There are so many benefit, for good health, a cleaner environment, competitiveness.
155	I would gladly pay a toll to ride bike trails/walking trails if they were safe and could link me around the city.
156	I would like to do my shopping, go to restaurants, parks, and neighborhoods on my bike but am afraid to do so now because of traffic and disregard for pedestrians and bikes in our county. If we get designated bike routes throughout the county I would definitely go everywhere on my bike - it would be wonderful! But definitely need better crosswalk signals and designated bike paths to do that. Which we currently have neither in Chester where I live. I think by putting in things to ensure safe bike riding and walking, it will be a draw for people to want to live in Chesterfield County.
157	I would like to run more, but it is hard for me to get out of my neighborhood as the connecting roads are dangerous to run on.
158	I would like to see a bike lane extended to cover Courthouse/Huguenot road for the full length. There are currently bike lanes on part of it. Riding on portions now dump you into unsafe traffic lanes. Doing this would allow riders access from across the county. I also recommend making bike lanes a priority on bridge reconstruction.
159	I would like to see bike racks installed in the Chester Village area. Not just racks but decorative , something that fits with the area.
160	I would like to see more bike related sporting even. Cyclecross and mountain bike events in already established areas. Working with the existing businesses like the Chesterfield Berry Farm to hold events would be a great draw for the county. Also, working with VSU to host events and their facilities would be great.
161	I would like to see the existing places upgraded with mileage markers for jogging.
162	I would like to see way more neighborhoods and roads have sidewalks. There are far too few sidewalks near my home to make it easy to walk or run - I always drive somewhere to run.
163	I would love a bike/running path that was adjacent to Route 10 within Chester, VA.
164	I would love to ride more but there is no way I would ride Genito or Otterdale roads near my home because they are too narrow-- even though they may be suggested as bike routes
165	I would love to see more bike and walking trails around the county.
166	I would really love to see more sidewalks. I think being able to walk safely where ever I want to go would not only be empowering but inspiring.

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167	I would support a tax for the facilities but the likelihood of having this passed in light of the recent meals tax, I would think this would be highly unlikely.
168	I would to see some improvement in the next year or two Thank you
169	I'd like the county to consider a rails to trails for the rail line that passes through Midlothian and connect to the city of Richmond. A flyover for bikes at the Robius / Huguenot intersection (where the train currently crosses the road). It would be great!!! Include feeder roads so neighborhoods could connect. I would only like to have bikes on roads or with lanes next to roads where the traffic speed was 35 or less. Currently Robious has a bike lane with a simple white line and traffic speed is 45. In reality this means many cars routinely drive at 55 mph. In the event of an accident the probability of a fatal outcome for a biker goes up exponentially for speeds above 35. Basically this is a false sense of a "real" bike path. At it exists the path is patently dangerous. Robius Landing is a fantastic park. Chesterfield should consider expanding it and making a system similar to the James River system. Here is the basic idea: Work with land owners - the farms along the river - to secure a hike path from Robius west along the river to the 288 bridge. Next hang a pedestrian bridge under 288 - similar to the one from Richmond to Brown Island. Continue the path on the north bank back east towards Richmond (yes another county but we can cooperate). There is a train line so consider some sort of safe distance and leverage that pathway. Another crossing point could be near bosher dam / chippenham bridge. A creative idea would be to create a pedestrian bridge west of bosher dam - a suspension type bridge allowing hikers / bikers a crossing point. Or even a cable ferry like Hatton Ferry near Scotsville.
170	I'd love to see more sidewalks and crosswalks - for pete's sake, it's the 21st century!
171	I'd really like for you to make the county more cycle friendly. I'm a quadriplegic and ride a hand cycle at Rockwood Park. I had to make up my own course there, because I don't feel safe riding in traffic. The problem with Rockwood Park is that it has speed bumps, so every time I get up speed, I'm hitting a speed bump. I'll probably never ride in traffic because a hand cycle sits so low. I will be happy when they finish the Pocahontas Project so cyclists with disabilities can have a dedicated cycling location.
172	If most of Jeff Davis and Chester Rd had sidewalks, we could ride our bikes and walk without having to be in the road when the speed limit is 45-55 (which means people do faster)
173	If we had more dedicated bike lanes, paths I would ride my bike everywhere!
174	If you could make more sidewalks or better yet bike paths accessible to the schools, it would help to lessen the need for buses and also decrease the childhood obesity.
175	If you decide to make a bike lane, be sure to have it cleaned at least monthly because road bikes can not ride over typical road debris such as Sand and gravel. Sand and gravel build up causes bikers to swerve into traffic and since we are going in the same direction we can't see behind us if it's safe.

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176	If you live in neighborhoods like Brandermill or Deer Run, you have to drive to get to commercial destinations. It would be nice to have more sidewalks along main thoroughfares (Deer Run Drive) to get to things such as libraries, shopping, restaurants, the pool, Alberta Smith Elementary, etc. Also, it would be good to have crosswalks at intersections like Hull St. at Old Hundred Road. It would be really cool to have a connecting bike trail that went from one end of Chesterfield to the other, and would also connect it to the city - for example the C&O Canal trail or the Fairfax County Cross County bike trail. Thanks for considering your residents' input! This is very progressive for Chesterfield. It would be really great to see some more biking, walking, and jogging trails/sidewalks that make sense, i.e., get you to places you want to go. Maybe one main trail could follow Falling Creek across the county, and connect up to all the other trails and sidewalks in the neighborhoods across the county. Thanks!-Corey J
177	If you want to know how to do this the right way then check out the greenway system in Roanoke, VA, www.greenways.org
178	Ignore the legislature who passes laws saying: Cars must get along with bicycles. Ludicrous to put two such different mass and speed vehicles on the same road at more than the bicycle's normal speeds which are probably 10-12 mph. Racers run 20 mph but to imagine bikes on narrow Va. roads or busy ones like 60, 360, route ten with vehicle traffic is sheer insanity. Saying: "You must get along or it's illegal" is sticking their heads in the sand because they don't want to build bike lanes. Other states are.
179	I'm absolutely in favor of improving options and safety for cyclists. However, I wouldn't support tax increases. I think the infrastructure needed should be considered when approving new developments and communities so the cost is built into home sales - just like water and sewer upgrades. And then pursue alternative financing (donations, corporate sponsorship, HOA dues, etc.) for existing communities. A topic I feel is missing from this discussion is improving the relationship b/w drivers and cyclists. Bike lanes are nice, but you won't find me in the bike lane on Robious at 6pm. Everywhere I go I see drivers intentionally passing riders as close as possible, and I see cyclists riding two or three abreast, or in the middle of the lane, with no concern for traffic behind them. Frankly, I would ride on any road in the county if I felt the driver behind me wasn't texting and didn't hold a grudge for cyclist. I appreciate that the county is concerned and addressing this topic and look forward to the results. THANKS!
180	I'm fortunate to have Pocahontas State Park nearby, and I'm glad to see the bike trails get plenty of use. I do not see as many bikes on the roads outside of training teams, and I suspect like myself as a runner, they are am selective about the roads they travel due to the insufficient/missing shoulders, speeding cars and blind curves.
181	I'm so glad this is getting attention. I would so like to be able to safely ride my bike around Chesterfield!

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182	I'm very glad you are pursuing this! Chesterfield County is so spread out and broken up into subdivisions and enclaves, some with sidewalks and protected biking/walking routes, others with absolutely nothing. It would be GREAT to have Hull Street have protected areas AND have protected connectors across some neighborhoods. For instance, I've always fantasized to have overhead walkways connecting both sides of Hull Street so folks can easily and safely walk from say, the Commonwealth movie theater to Brandermill, or Woodlake to the Walmart across the street. The Hull Street corridor is a busy place with lots of economic opportunity, but it is often congested with cars. There are lots of people with families who would love to walk/bike outdoors with kids (this is the Chesterfield demographic in our area). Having sidewalks along Hull and overpasses above it would make a HUGE difference in the community, economically, socially, quality of life. Thank you; I hope this works out.
183	improve access to the roads that have bike lanes. I could use Jessup Rd or Belmont Rd for commuting but there are places to curvy, too narrow, with no shoulders, for safe biking.
184	Improvements for commuters (showers, etc.) seem like wasted money as so many people work too far to bike, but it would be great to have sidewalks to entertainment, shopping, schools, and the libraries for local use by kids and families. A wooded walking/biking trail in or around Deer Run would be great so we could stop trespassing in Woodlake or driving all the way to Rockwood.
185	In 23113 zip, many roads are too dangerous to ride on and it is very limiting to where you can ride to (example: Winterfield road, Robious road). Would be great to have the ability to connect multiple areas via some sort of designated bike path/trail.
186	In general I wish Midlothian, where I live was more walkable. We are about a mile from the public library, but the walk or ride is too dangerous for kids to do. Same with walking to JB Watkins, also close, but separated by a wide busy street. It is such a shame.
187	in general we need safe biking opportunities in Chesterfield
188	In my community, Bon Air, the primary focus should be McRae Rd, Buford Rd and possibly Old Bon Air, to make them more pedestrian friendly
189	In my view, many of the secondary roads in Chesterfield County need to be safer for motorists (e.g. Otterdale Rd, Genito Rd, Old Hundred Rd just to name a few). Many of the secondary roads are not especially wide, have no shoulder, have drainage ditches and trees just off the side of the roadway, have many curves/hills/rises, and have posted speed limits of 45 mph (or higher) in many cases. Improving the roads to accommodate bikers/runners could not only lead to greater satisfaction by bikers/runners/walkers, but could just as (or more) importantly improve the safety for all motorists.

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190	In the Enon area especially, with all the new construction and incoming businesses, the roads need to be improved to handle the traffic, so they should include run/bike paths (sidewalks). I feel this cost should be a part of the fees the builders/corporations (owners of the property) pay to develop the property. This should be suggested to property owners when plans come into the planning department for review and approval. I might be willing to accept a slight tax increase or fee for a one time improvement in areas - not sure how this would work though. Perhaps the county could sponsor races/rides in areas needing improvements to generate funds and perhaps community volunteerism to put this into effect. There are a lot of people in the Enon area who ride and run. What did areas like Raleigh NC do to make their areas run/walk/ride friendly? Thank you
191	It doesn't have to start with costly paved trails. Dirt pathways are a good place to start. Just designate a trail that people can clearly know it is allowable to travel and they are not trespassing on private property.
192	It is a great idea to improve walking and biking infrastructure. This will keep give the residents a healthy lifestyle. The weather is great, this is the place to enjoy the outdoors. Walking/biking to a public fishing spot would be a bonus. Walking/biking to a community pool and playground also needed, near Moseley.
193	It is a shame that most neighborhoods are built without sidewalks. It would be great for more kids to walk to school.
194	It is important that all health care recipients do their part to maintain or improve their health. I appreciate C-Fit for our employees and appreciate the thought Lynn has brought to the subject.
195	it is not safe to ride bikes on chesterfield county roads. the vehicles will run you over. they do NOT share the road.
196	It is sad that we have so few limited biking and walking opportunities that are safe in this county. I visit Northern Virginia often and am impressed by the W&OD bike trail That would be an ideal model for Chesterfield, but I would be happy for any improvements to what we now have, which is basically take your life in your hands if you want to cross Hull St. or go up courthouse.
197	It is simply not safe to ride a bike on many Chesterfield streets. I am an avid cyclist and bike 3,000 miles a year. I AVOID biking in Chesterfield and do most of my biking in Hanover & points north where there are marked bike routes and the drivers are used to seeing bikes.
198	It is so dangerous for cars and bicyclists on some of these back country roads. Some roads have higher speeds limits. Some like Taylor Road are very curvy and hilly, then out of nowhere there is a bicyclist riding in the middle of the road. There needs to be some better way to protect these bicyclists and drivers before an accident occurs.

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199	It is understood that it will be many years before adequate bike lanes or facilities are available. Funding, from any source, is likely to be the deciding factor along with right of way purchases. Chesterfield County can provide more opportunities for safe biking and walking/running. Despite the fact that bicycles are legal vehicle allowed on the roadways, in practice, it is a very dangerous mix. No cycle or pedestrian can match a 2000 plus pound vehicle. In this day of distracted motorists, it is even more imperative to provide safe separation of motor vehicles and non-motorized traffic. Case in point, please see this recent incident where a motor vehicle actually caused an accident on a designated cyclist/pedestrian pathway in Virginia - http://hamptonroads.com/2014/06/vdot-contractor-was-driver-suvbicycle-collision
200	It seems like money goes in certain areas in Chesterfield and not in all. Wish it was equitably shared.
201	It will take multiple funding sources and commitment from county organizers. First priority in my opinion and perhaps least expensive are cross walks for Midlothian Turnpike and Hull street. Second priority just a small paved lane would be sufficient along roads that do not have shoulders.
202	It would also help to change some of the driving culture as many drivers use handheld devices while driving, do not use turn signals, and do not respect space when coming upon runners or cyclists. Perhaps some public announcements followed by enforcement drives by Chesterfield, Henrico, and Richmond Police would help as well + a hot line to register offenders as it is likely several license plates would end up listed repeatedly.
203	It would be great to increase safe biking and walking facilities across the county. Connectivity is critically important - link schools, libraries, parks and shopping so that walking and biking between destinations is accessible for people of all ages and abilities. Increasing traffic-free multi-use trails is also very important. The East Coast Greenway long distance routes project is one project that would be great to support throughout the county.
204	It would be nice if county leadership got along with the rest of the region and worked to honestly promote alternative transportation. Chesterfield is not well suited for any type of bicycling or walking. County residents are not too welcoming to cyclists.
205	it would be nice to have areas to cross over major highways, places to park bikes and for police to start writing tickets for people talking & texting while driving. it only take second to run someone over on a bike!
206	It would be really nice to have bike trails separate from roadways to encourage biking
207	It's a good thing !
208	It's really great to see the street sweeper cleaning the bike lane on Robious Road. Thanks!
209	It's the inter-connectivity that is the problem. Many County roads have min widths and no shoulders.

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210	I've been so glad to see some sidewalks installed in my area within the past few years, and they have been getting used! For walking biking and running it would be great to have more paths that connect neighborhoods for a change of scenery during my regular exercise routine.
211	I've cycled in many different states and countries. My issue with the roads I ride here in Chesterfield is the lack of a shoulder. Roads were made and are repaved to the minimum width then drop right off several inches. Sometimes they fill very large stones along the edge but they settle after a year and the drop off returns. Roads then begin to break up along the edge making it unsafe to ride on. Put in a white line and have another 2-3 feet of pavement to the right of the line and many issues will improve.
212	I've seen how well this works in Charlotte, NC and Charlottesville, VA. This is completely doable. I know taxes have risen in Charlotte, because of it, but they see immediate results and they are healthier for the changes.
213	James City County multi use trails are a good benchmark to follow for bikeways programs. With bikeways comes education of the general public for bike safety.
214	Just a wonderful idea,,,,,to keep fit, lower traffic etc.
215	Just since I have been biking since 2009, the traffic has become increasingly heavier in Enon and it makes me more and more nervous to ride on the roads.
216	Keep up the good work on the trails Chesterfield is in charge of. So far my wife and I are very pleased to have them available.
217	Let's be realistic here. Not many Chesterfield County residents would be willing to fund anything for bicycling or walking. This is a car centered community of people not willing to fund anything. Educating the police about the laws pertaining to bicycling and walking would be very helpful. Not that the police are hostile, well not all, but they are not well informed. It is also important to educate cyclists about the laws. Hey if a cyclist breaks the law, they need to be held accountable too.
218	Let's support health and wellness by doing this.
219	Licensing fee for bicycles using such ways.
220	locate developments close to shopping/entertainment destinations (or the other way around)bike/walk/run better for health, fitness, happiness!, communication with neighbors, fresh air, sunshine (vitamin D), movement = longevity, less traffic = less pollution, less noise, less stress. Would love to bike to the bus stop at winterpock or ch. town center. Increase bus lines and times/access too!!!biking trails boosts community!
221	Look at abandoned railways,
222	Look at the W&OD Trail in Northern Virginia (Arlington west to Purcellville). This is an amazing benefit to the community in that region. If we could ever do something like that in the Richmond Area -- it would be a boon to the area.
223	Look to cities like Denver where people ride all the time and see how they have done it.

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224	Looking forward to having more safe walking and biking areas in Chesterfield Co.
225	Looking forward to improvements Thanks for doing this!
226	Love that you are having this conversation!
227	Make sidewalks and a bike lane mandatory. Especially along Hull street.
228	Make the existing bike path along Huguenot Road an official bike path with proper markings and signage.
229	Making an investment bicycling infrastructure in Chesterfield County/Bon Air region would be a very wise investment would enhance the quality of life of its residents and draw new revenue into the county.
230	Man up and make this happen, don't let the tea party ruin this idea because it is not explicitly stated in the constitution.
231	Many other communities have converted abandoned railroad rights of way into pedestrian walking and biking paths. Chesterfield County and surrounding counties should do the same.
232	Many subdivisions are physically divided from others by physical features such as creeks, even though houses in one subdivision are adjacent to houses in the other adjoining subdivision. Though there are no roads that connect the two, I would like to see the subdivisions linked by paved paths. This way a cyclist or pedestrian could safely travel without having to go out on major roads like Midlo Turnpike or narrow, widening, shoulder-less roads like Providence, Buford, Elkhardt, and Turner, or at least avoid parts of the major thoroughfares and dangerous secondary roads.
233	Merely adding adequate shoulders would help a lot, more so than dedicated bike lanes that go no where. Longer term, having a network similar to WO&D in Washington area would be terrific, especially given the aging population in the county - a way to stay fit and develop a community of friends
234	Minimal fees or taxes would be ok if it was very small.
235	Minneapolis and Milwaukee, even NOVA... good models of trails that link urban and suburban areas.
236	More access wherever possible. Too difficult and dangerous in most places.
237	More bike lanes would be fantastic, hope you can pull it off. Even if it's just a bike lane like on parts of Route 10.
238	more bike lanes, bike paths, more police presence to keep cyclists safe
239	More divided bike paths on main roads like Robious, Winterfield Drive. Where I live I can not get to the sidewalks in Midlothian, which are a great facility
240	More greenways like Raleigh, NC! Once you have them, they will become extremely popular and used a tremendous amount.
241	More infrastructure for cycling and running will make the area more attractive to businesses and younger individuals
242	More opportunities for bikers/walkers/runners would promote greater fitness in our community!

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243	More sidewalks, please!
244	Most of thoughts are contained in other responses.
245	Most residential streets in chesterfield county have no sidewalks, or wide enough roads for safe walking
246	Most roads lack enough space. We generally try to avoid heavy traffic, but the country roads lack shoulders and create trouble between cyclists and motorists. We desperately need road signs that teach motorists/cyclists to share the road. More bike lanes and sidewalks will generate more appeal to the area and help families to make health and fitness more accessible.
247	Must have designated bike lanes and sidewalks or at least wider roads with adequate shoulders clean from debris.
248	My family and I would appreciate, use and benefit from bicycle trails or the options listed in this survey. We love to bike and would do so more often but it becomes a scary experience with the cars who do not care about a family of bike riders. My family has almost been hit by a car several times by careless drivers.
249	My neighborhood is excellent for running and biking. The Highlands, but I cannot get anywhere outside of it because the surrounding roads are so dangerous.
250	My only option is to drive to work. There are no alternate options such as by bus, bikeway or trail. I would like options. Once bikeways are established, use is encouraged by providing bike valets during special events, such as fireworks, concerts, fairs, festivals, etc. Something as simple as a sidewalk is often overlooked. I see many new developments that lack sidewalks. Developers should be encouraged to install paths and walkways when plans are submitted. I see many families walking with young children in the shoulder of a road (because there is no sidewalk connecting their neighborhood to a shopping center) which is very dangerous.
251	Need bike specific lanes to all points west from central chesterfield area out toward Powhatan area.
252	Need dedicated paths I will not put my family in harms way on busy roads
253	Need more driver education on bike safety. Bike riding is statistically more dangerous than skydiving mostly because of lack of education, distractions and visibility-both of drivers and of bicyclists. Also designated bike routes,
254	No left turn on red when Pedestrian's present- Improve existing unpaved trails through undeveloped areas, rights-of-way and easements for utility lines and along property borders for bicycle and pedestrian paths between neighborhoods and from neighborhood

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BIKEWAYS AND TRAILS PLAN

255	No matter how much I would like to bike or walk, it has to be safe. Maintain the trails that already exist.
256	No way should the populace of Chesterfield be responsible for providing trails or bike paths. Sharing the road should not mean that bikers ignore the rules of the road or impede traffic.
257	Not a primary transportation mode. Private property is expensive. Focus on existing public facilities and public land retrofits. County transportation and planning policies are disjointed. Look at route 10 through the courthouse area. Private drug stores required to install sidewalk. Public road widening did not install sidewalk. Which is demonstrating the vision for route 10 at the courthouse? It is countywide. Extend the Chester Linear Park using volunteers to the Appomattox river. County purchase the real estate from rail company and grant permission to volunteers. It will happen at little cost.
258	Not friendly to pedestrian traffic. Sidewalks non-existent in most living areas, and dangerous crossing or traveling on heavily trafficked area. Robious road example) has a bike lane that ends and begins for short distances. Students are unable to walk or ride bikes to school without being in harms way for lack of sidewalks and excess speed on roads.
259	of which... the bike lane on Courthouse over the Powhite Parkway is not fully paved. I have to veer towards traffic to get around unpaved portions, dangerously close to oncoming cars! NOT SAFE and I would love to see that fixed!
260	One of the main roads I bike on is Robious Road, which has a designated bike path for just a little ways. What is so dangerous about it is that it ends suddenly between 2 roads - it just stops and you have no way off of it and you are stuck there on the main road with traffic of 45 mph. This needs to be extended and stop at a road.
261	Opposed to expenditures for bikeways and walking paths at this time.
262	Other communities (Northern Virginia for example) have separate multi-use paths next to major roads (For example, SR 234, Prince William Pkwy and Fairfax Co Pkwy in Northern Virginia). Perhaps something alongside Powhite Pkwy, Chippenham Pkwy, or Hull Street Road. May have to use a bike lane only in some areas of Hull Street due to space considerations.
263	Our family are bike enthusiasts and support any improvements that increase our safe bicycling options, especially the idea of a protected bike path around Chesterfield.
264	Our family can't stress enough the importance of protected bike facilities. We don't need any more lanes for auto traffic in the county. It's already sprawled to death. Help connect our population clusters (including city of Richmond) with walk/bike-friendly infrastructure.
265	Our kids should be biking and walking to school if they live within a mile of the school they attend.

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266	Paving around and under power lines is a great way to make bike paths. It also makes servicing those lines easier as well if they are paved. Having a path connecting neighborhoods to grocery stores would be great. Also, for fitness and long bike rides, paving all along 288. My husband rides long distances 30+Miles on a bike. With the dangers of distracted drivers, his riding is very limited. It is just too dangerous to bike or run around chesterfield county.
267	Pick the "low-hanging fruit" - put in more sidewalks and crosswalks. Walking or biking across the Huguenot/Robious Rd intersection is not safe, for example. Put in crosswalks.
268	Please add sidewalks and improve walking along or near corridors such as Huguenot, Midlothian, and Robious.
269	Please call me at 8048747770 we need a safe way to get from Charter Colony to Kroger on Midlo Turnpike. There is NO sidewalk and people drive way over 35 mph. Please call I would love to help raise money for this!
270	Please create more safe places for bikers to ride so I can bike to work!
271	Please do not forget the Southern area of Chesterfield County.
272	Please do something to get bicycles out of travel lanes. Having bicycles riding 10 miles per hour in the vehicle travel lane of a 45 mph+ road is not safe for the cyclists or the drivers. If they can't keep up with the flow of traffic, they shouldn't be in the road.
273	Please emphasize natural and historical features to set us apart from generic, sprawling suburbs of Anywhere, USA.
274	Please fund a tunnel or underpass by the water treatment. Facility that runs across or under hull street connect neighborhoods to Pocahontas state park
275	Please help extend sidewalks at the very least. They are only in very congested areas, and to even GET to a sidewalk would be quite a feat. Intersections are dangerous, I'd never feel safe crossing Hull St Rd. Bigger infrastructure would be amazing and well utilized, as long as it was connected across a LARGE area throughout the county.
276	Please help make the roads and sidewalks safe and accessible for everyone. In an age where people are getting increasingly more health and eco-conscious, Chesterfield and Richmond definitely could use a lot of infrastructure remodeling. The roads and sidewalks throughout Chesterfield (don't even get me started on the city roads/sidewalks) are pretty awful and I'm sure they contribute to most of the accidents that happen involving cyclists.
277	Please include people who can only currently use the few trails available that will accommodate two or three wheel scooters. We need to get outdoors too.
278	Please maintain the current trails that are in place now.

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279	Please make bike trails at Falling Creek / Ironworks Park a priority for the County. The trend in economics is to add funding to the up and coming new development areas and add to what is already successful. Over time this narrow approach creates large disparities in desirable and undesirable areas to live, as it has done in Chesterfield. Revitalization in older areas of Chesterfield, especially along the Jeff Davis Corridor, has been overlooked for far too long. Investment along the corridor is essential for the health and vitality of the county as a whole which is getting considerable bad press for the declining property and property values in the eastern portion of Chesterfield. Investment here will raise the standard of living of the entire county and thus help Chesterfield regain its image as a desirable place to live. I believe the increased "people movement" via walking and riding on trails along Falling Creek and the River will lead to greater safety (both real and perceived) in this area which will also help to attract desired residential and commercial development. Making this a priority is a Win/Win for the residents of north-eastern Chesterfield and Chesterfield as a whole. When the north eastern section of Chesterfield is prioritized and invested in by the county, subsequent increases in tax revenue from development here will help fund other trails in other, newer, sections of Chesterfield.
280	Please make it more accessible. Chesterfield is a large county so having Pocahontas state park which is 30 mins away for most people in Midlothian isn't very feasible. it would be nice if there was something closer that was bike and runner friendly. there are plenty of routes for hiking and I think there needs to be more paved areas for runners.
281	PLEASE make this happen. It will be economically beneficial for the county as it may be a determining factor in moving to Chesterfield.
282	Please place a priority with connecting with existing and soon-to-be-developed trails and paths in the City of Richmond
283	Pocahontas and Henricus are both great places to bike and run/walk- thanks.
284	Pocahontas State Park will soon be a huge draw for mountain bikers and cyclists of all skills and the new IMBA trails on the north side of the park will be especially attractive to individuals with physical limitations. Please make Pocahontas accessible to everyone on bikes, meaning that we can ride our bikes to the park instead of driving our bikes to the park then riding. I would like to see a perimeter bike route around the park that is connected to the existing few bike lanes, as well as new bike lanes on Qualla and Beech. Let's make it attractive and safe to ride our bikes TO the park so we can ride IN the park.
285	prefer shaded areas. keep the trees. need litter control.
286	Protected pedestrian/bike paths would make me love living here even more than I already do! Especially if I had access to local shopping that is such a short distance away (5 miles of my neighborhood) but do not feel safe getting to by foot/bike currently.

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287	Realize that this is not an overnight process, but needs to be started in small steps. Would greatly improve quality of life, an help tourism.
288	Recommend that future development of Chesterfield County be required to include provisions for bicycling and walking/running trails or lanes. Required for subdivision development and connection to current infrastructure.
289	Riding a bike is way to dangerous in Chester to go anywhere. While running is just as dangerous, much easier to get out of the way.
290	roads, such as Qualla Road in Chesterfield County(not streets) with sizable resident dwellings should have sidewalks.
291	Rt 1 should have dedicated bike lanes from Chester to downtown Richmond. There are already many people riding (unsafely)so there is demonstrated need. Bike commuting is both affordable and healthy and would be a great way to add mobility for this economically stressed area. There is plenty of space for bike lanes on Rt 1. It would help revitalize that corridor.
292	rural areas of county are great for riding except for traffic!
293	Safe means to shop, run errands and secure bicycle in those areas.
294	Safe routes to meaningful destinations needed such as corridors to allow safe routes to jobs and shopping. For example, I used to live in Roxshire and regularly commuted 17.5 miles each way to my job in downtown Richmond. For safety reasons I rode an extra 7 miles each round trip to avoid riding a shorter route that included Huguenot Road and Forest Hill which I considered unsafe for cycling. There is not clear cut route for this trip so I made my way through neighborhoods and also departed my home quite early (6am) to avoid traffic when I had to exit the neighborhoods to get on Forest Hill to cross over the Powhite. There really should be and easier way. With regards to destinations, an example is the bike lane on Robious Road. While it is better than no bike lane, it ends at Huguenot Road so it's usefulness is limited. Hopefully it will eventually connect into a network. Also, the bike lane on Robious was never cleaned when I lived in Roxshire. The natural action of traffic pushes road junk (glass, trash, rocks, metal, etc.) toward the outside of the road and in this case, it ends up in the bike lane where it causes flat tires and also creates dangerous riding conditions. I do hope that Chesterfield County as well as the other jurisdictions embrace bicycle travel as a means of transportation and recreation. A network of routes will require regional cooperation which to date has been the most glaring weakness of living in this are(I moved here in 1992) and am amazed and baffled that none of the local governments have yet learned to play together.
295	safety while walking, running or biking on more roads
296	see comments above I don't have much need for these facilities as there is certainly plenty of opportunity within my neighborhood
297	Serious bikers can't use current bike lanes as they are loaded with "trash/debris". Cleaning them regularly won't happen. It's best to provide separate bike paths where possible. These can be two way paths if need be.

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BIKEWAYS AND TRAILS PLAN

298	sidewalks and bike lanes. off road trails for running and biking.
299	sidewalks are needed in neighborhoods to initiate more activities
300	Some areas of the county have a much better infrastructure that promotes walking and biking. I would like to see the infrastructure improved and brought up to an even level county wide.
301	Some neighborhoods already have sidewalks. I think we should try and connect to existing sidewalks for the trails. Also, although I checked this should be funded from the budget. We should try grants first, and then offset it form a preventive health prospective through Recreation and Parks.
302	Some places seem to have more funding or interest in becoming for more commuter friendly area than others. Not due to interest, but due to the influence of those making decisions. Chester seems to be under-represented. I would love a safe trail for walking/biking/running up and down harrowgate road, Happy Hill Road and Chester Road. These are major roads in the area with our most major neighborhoods connecting them.
303	Some roads in Chesterfield are a shame. Not only dangerous to bikes but cars also. Look at Woolridge Road. Some of the most affluent neighborhoods are served by it yet it looks like an old wagon trail paved two decades ago. Unacceptable and makes me embarrassed and want to move.
304	Start with a sidewalk. The number of sidewalks is laughable and the situation is very dangerous for children. Lower the speed limit to 35 mph.
305	Terrible crossing , no crosswalks, at buford,forest hill, hugenaut intersections
306	thank you
307	Thank you for developing a plan!
308	Thank you for getting public input, I truly hope this comes to fruition soon!
309	Thank you for taking on this task.
310	Thank you for taking this on and I am hopeful that in a community as active as ours, we can get something built that will facilitate better safety among the walkers, runners,rollerbladers, and bikers.
311	Thank you for the effort and attention to non-motorized transportation and recreation! As a local Realtor, places to walk and ride bikes have a large impact on what areas and neighborhoods my clients pick to purchase a home in.

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312	<p>THANK YOU so much for taking an interest in making Chesterfield County more bike- and pedestrian-friendly. If more citizens were able to bike and walk to destinations safely, they would save money, reduce emissions, and get a workout all at the same time. I want very badly to be able to bike from my home in the Huntingcreek Hills subdivision to work at the Chesterfield County Public Library, but cars travel very fast on Whitepine and Iron Bridge, and I don't feel safe riding my bike on these roads. The average American spends 4.4 hours per day driving a car, maintaining a car, or earning money to pay for a car. When you consider the time that people spend earning money to make a car payment, bikes can actually be considered a "faster" form of transport than cars!</p> <p>http://www.bravenewlife.com/07/bikes-are-faster-than-cars/Car commutes are hurting the citizens of Chesterfield County where it counts - in their wallets:</p> <p>http://www.mrmoneymustache.com/2011/10/06/the-true-cost-of-commuting/And long car commutes are also associated with a litany of problems, including obesity, neck pain, stress, and divorce:</p> <p>http://www.slate.com/articles/business/moneybox/2011/05/your_commute_is_killing_you.htmlThere is an aphorism: Cars run on money and make people fat; bikes run on fat and save people money. Give people in Chesterfield the infrastructure needed to bike and walk safely, and their wallets and waistlines will thank you for it. Even if taxes go up in order to fund new infrastructure, those who take advantage of biking and walking to destinations will save money in the long run. Thank you again for undertaking this worthy endeavor!</p>
313	Thanks for all the options to walk at the Government complex. Please put snake away on trails as I do not like the encounters with the snakes, esp. the poisonous ones.
314	Thanks for anything done to make cycling a bigger part of our society
315	Thanks for paying attention
316	Thanks for the energy. Looking forward to improvements. I'd rather have fewer dedicated trails then more paths right beside traffic. Thanks
317	Thanks for the survey! Would love to see more bike paths
318	The area has many beautiful areas to look at, but are too dangerous to ride in. Most of the roads are too narrow and in many cases have blind curves which is dangerous when riding a bicycle, if the lanes were widened with a cement barrier in between the bike or walking lane and the traffic it would be much safer to get around by bicycle. Some areas have wide streets which could be made narrower to provide for walkways and others have narrow streets attached to parks that can be made wider for pedestrians and cyclists.
319	The City of Richmond is working diligently on bike paths throughout the city. It would be wonderful be able to connect to the city's pathways and beyond.
320	The expansion at Woodland Pond should be REQUIRED to install sidewalks and trails through the woods.

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321	The fact that residents don't understand crosswalks make them dangerous. About 20% of people stop, about 60% speed through and about 20% will actually honk. We used to walk to the pool until we were literally almost killed by a driver speeding by. I can't let me kids walk anywhere and they need the exercise. EVERY crosswalk should have a sign saying "stop for pedestrian in crosswalk." I stopped for some kids walking to the pool the other day and the car behind me started to honk. Its dangerous to have crosswalks without explanations on how to use them for the suburban drivers who never learned.
322	The fact that so much of the county lacks even basic things like sidewalks, or even streets that connect to one another, to make it easy to walk around, and that the roads are so high speed, and destinations are so spread out, makes it really unpleasant to walk or bike a lot of places. It's the number one reason I want to leave Chesterfield when I can and move to Richmond.
323	The Fat Tire Ramble' event was a tremendous amount of fun before First TEE golf eliminated the trails. A lot of people and the Richmond Radio station was there and I really enjoyed it. Bike trails at Harry S Goins park off of White Pine Road were really nice. Novice level to advanced would fun again.
324	The infrastructure in the county would need to be drastically changed in order to support an increase in biking and walking. Shops and entertainment are too far to consider biking as an option and the main road (Hull St) on my side of the county is too dangerous to even consider biking to get anywhere.
325	The main roads in Chesterfield are not pedestrian or bike friendly at all, and drivers are not nice. I can do some things using back roads, but would gladly park my car and ride more to work and shopping/gym if I could do so safely.
326	The one thing that needs to be remembered is that if you build a bike lane, whether protected/separated or right on the edge of a road, you've got to keep that pavement clear of debris. A bicycle tire is punctured a whole lot easier than car tires. Glass/trash/gravel/sand gets swept onto the shoulders/bike paths by the action of the motor vehicle traffic. What that means is that I'm often riding in the road instead of an available bike path (ex. Huguenot & Robius roads) to avoid having flats and/or taking a spill.

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327	<p>The planning in the county for Cycling/walking/running has been half-ass for years. There seems to be no big picture of what's going on. I have the county's Bike Plan from the mid 90's and little has been done. I will ask this question; does it make since for the county/state to require a sidewalk to be put in at a shopping CTR that just runs down the side of RT 10 but just runs out to the end of the shopping CTR? When you could have gone another 100 ft. an connected a neighborhood. The side walk will never be used until that happens. Markings are poor on bicycle lanes. Ex. Courthouse RD pasted 288. The side of the road is a bicycling lane but you would never know it from the lack of marking or signs. How about supporting bike tourism? The county has part of the East Coast Greenway and the 1 bicycle route. How about making a safe route to the State Park for those riders to stay the night or to base camp there so they can ride the trails or part of the Richmond Ride Center. Or how about supporting the Trail system at the State Park which will be part of the Richmond Ride Center. Do you know how much money those riders would bring to the county on food and gas and overnight stays? I can tell you what you don't have better than I can tell you what you do have. But I would start with what you have and figure out how to get the most out of that 1st and how it can be built on.</p>
328	<p>The public needs more education on cyclists rights to sharing the road. I got yelled at on River Rd recently by someone in a pickup truck because he had to wait a few seconds to go around me on a hill. It was ridiculous. People need to know cyclists have a right to the road! They also need to be educated on how dangerous it is to get too close to cyclists, speed up next to cyclists to show their frustration and to heckle cyclists. It is very dangerous out there due in large part to people's ignorance! Perhaps if the public were educated on the health benefits of riding, more people would try it and stop ridiculing those trying to maintain a healthier lifestyle.</p>
329	<p>The Robious Landing park is beautiful for walking, but many times parts of the trails are under water and unusable. The trails there would also benefit from more benches (nothing fancy!).It would also be nice if the County sent out street sweepers more often OR passed an ordinance about refraining from raking leaves into the streets (which many residents of our neighborhood do). And again, sidewalks and streetlights would be nice in the neighborhoods (not just the neighborhoods that have 300K homes in them).</p>

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330	The taxpayers should NOT be paying for bike/walking paths under any circumstances. Where in the U.S. or Virginia Constitution do you find that it is up to any government to provide bike and walking paths? IF a company or individual wishes to establish a series of bike or walking paths, they may choose to do so. In that event, there absolutely must be NO quid pro quo and the giver must understand that there will be NO special consideration for their future pet projects. The ONLY involvement from the County is limited to making sure they are built in areas that don't encroach on personal property - absolutely no resident should be required to allow one of these paths through their property. Additionally, the path sponsor must be made to sign an agreement that requires them to maintain the paths in perpetuity. Once again, someone is seeking to solve a problem that does not exist. Everyone who bikes or walks already has a place to do so. Tell us why suddenly it is an issue and tat their neighborhood is not good enough?
331	The trail at the County Complex is very nice, however, people are so busy now there is a need to combine physical fitness with going to work, shopping etc...
332	the trail at the government complex is AWESOME
333	The weather here is perfect for outdoor activities like walking and biking practically year round, but with most neighborhoods lacking side walks or access to bike trails or walking paths, it is difficult to get out an about.
334	There appears to be opportunities to connect neighborhoods and existing trails in the western part of the county that could transform the network of biking and walking trails. It could be a huge boost to the quality of life and attractiveness of that part of the county.
335	There are an infinite numbers of reasons why Chesterfield should create a viable biking and walking infrastructure including reduced automotive transportation/dependence, promoting a healthy community, reduced environmental impact, increased community value and marketability, etc. There is only one excuse not to do it...money. This is the right thing to do so the County/community needs to figure out how to make it happen just like other cities/communities are doing throughout the country.
336	There are many "segments" of bike lanes that don't interconnect well. Suggest looking at ways to connect, possibly through connector trails and neighborhoods. Bike route Kitty Hawk / Nags Head is good example of where this was done with limited cost. Footnote, I'm Charlie Thomas, Past President of the Richmond Area Bicycle Association. I'm delighted to see Chesterfield County's interest in this topic!!
337	There are no or few sidewalks in the communities in Chesterfield County, which make it really difficult to run or walk from place to place.
338	there are not enough sidewalks on major roads the bike lanes are not kept free of debris which makes them useless need more bike lanes need more public awareness on rules for passing cyclists

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339	There are often bicyclist on Winterpock Rd and Beaver Bridge road. As a motorist, I fear for their safety
340	There are popular RABA sponsored rides through Ashland that attract quite a few riders. The locals that encounter slow downs/bottlenecks due cyclists virtually every Saturday morning appear to be frustrated. Without dedicated bike lanes along a thoroughfare, increases cycling can/will frustrate local motorists that get stuck behind them. Therefore its very important to have features allowing cyclist a safe portion of roadway (without crumbling edges) that don't impede the flow of cars. Also, street sweeping activity would need to be significantly more frequent for bicycle lanes than for a typical roadway. Cars tend to move grit, stones, sand, and debris out of their pathway to the sides of the road, into the bike lanes. This creates treacherous conditions for bicyclists, who then migrate into the traffic lanes to avoid the debris, which in turn infuriates car drivers that don't understand why cyclists aren't using the dedicated cycling lanes.
341	There are some great places to bike in Chesterfield. I am currently participating in Bike Virginia, leaving from southwest Chesterfield at Pocahontas Park. I rarely bike on any major route. Some, such as route 711, are very dangerous, others such as Midlothian Turnpike and route 360 border on suicidal for bikers. So much of the county was set up as if no one ever moves about in any other way than by car. I used to drop my car off at the Pontiac dealership on Midlothian Turnpike and walk to Johnston-Willis Hospital, dodging cars at intersections with no pedestrian crossing, wading through tall weeds in the median and along the roadway, cutting through parking lots.
342	There are some great places to ride in Chesterfield but a large part of the problem is you can't get safely from one area to another on a bike. It's not overall bike friendly. Sure you have some token bike lanes such as on Courthouse but really, who risks their life riding on the roads. Also, where there is a dedicated bike lane, they are so often littered with obstacles (gravel, rocks, bricks, broken glass, etc.) that it makes it more dangerous riding in the lane than in traffic.
343	There are some great sidewalks, but I would have to walk or bike down very busy roads with low visibility due to curves, and no real room off the road to walk to get to the areas that are sidewalked. I really would like to be able to walk without having to drive somewhere to do it.
344	There are two points that I want to make. First I believe that bike and walking trails/paths should be paid for by those that will make use of those facilities. I do not expect the county to provide me the means to enjoy those recreational pursuits, that I enjoy. I should not be expected to do the same. Second, I strongly oppose any plan or action on the part of the county that will violate the property rights of existing property owners. Mainly by creating trespass and nuisances that can be caused by the creation of bike and walking trails/paths. In conclusion no citizen of the county should have their rights violated for the benefit of a few.

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345	There definitely needs to be an extension of the Midlothian walking path beyond Kroger on 360 - ideally out to old hundred & beyond. The major thing I miss about life in DC - all the amenities for biking/ running.
346	There have been few improvements to the infrastructure to improve the safety of biking, running/walking. The most important areas to start would be proper walking areas to and from schools from elementary to high school. There are many places where a direct route to school for most students is less than a mile. Easy to walk or bike if routes are set up safely. The next area is Old Gun Road and the rest of the scenic bike route in this area.
347	There is lack of neighborhood parks. County needs to develop more parks.
348	There is such an enormous potential for the creation of "Healthy Communities" here in Chesterfield. The clusters of retail and residential spaces invite the idea of connection through biking and walking areas.
349	There was a dedicated bike lane that ran the majority of Route 10 but the recent widening project removed the lane in certain areas. This action seems to defeat the county's movement on making the county bike accessible. I hope it returns. I accidentally submitted my survey without completing the above question box and this box. Wanted to resubmit with my remaining comments.
350	This email sent out to county-all referenced the numbers of employees that participate in the C-Fit programs. Now that the county no longer pays for the C-Fit classes, it is a slap in the face to continue to promote C-Fit as a county benefit when it is no longer provided free to employees. So the county wants to improve/provide better areas for the citizens to exercise, but they don't think it is important to pay for the C-Fit classes to county employees any longer.
351	this is a great idea and many retirees would welcome the chance for biking walking and running safe areas.
352	This is a great way to make the community more attractive to visitors and families.
353	This is a long time coming and I hope that the powers that be can make this happen. Maybe Chesterfield can do like downtown Richmond and designate a few main roads to be a bike path only???....(just a thought)
354	This is a waste of time and county funds. If you "Force" developers to put these into new subdivisions, the cost only gets passed on to the people who purchase the homes. This is one of those nice to have things if you have \$\$ and don't know what to do with it Bike and walking paths work well in new subdivisions, but the county is so spread out it is not feasible. Explain how residents are to walk or bike down Midlothian Turnpike? When will the remaining items from the 2004 Bond Referendum be completed? These should be done before one dime is spent on new items.

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355	This is an exciting effort. I fully support expansion of bike to work options and pathways connecting neighborhoods to major retail and employment centers. Connection to downtown Richmond b safe bike paths and roads is my priority investment.
356	This is an issue with which we need to struggle....it is worth it. This speaks to the quality of life in a "First Choice "Community.
357	This is needed in order to keep the earth greener and to keep our citizens healthier.
358	this is not the govt job your job is protection of people and personal property only the rest is the peoples job
359	This would be nice, but not worth a tax hike. We are taxed enough already.
360	Though I don't live in Chesterfield County I visit there often. I also work in real estate and anything we can use to tell people about great lifestyle amenities in the area is great!
361	Time has come for this method of people movement..
362	Too dangerous to be on the roads with the cars.
363	too far away, JRPS is better
364	Too many of the smaller roads are narrow and do not have sidewalks or trails parallel to them. This prevents safe bicycling, running or walking. Hull Street needs sidewalks at least in order to have safe non-motorized transportation.
365	Too often we hear how Americans are obese and not getting enough exercise. This is a wonderful step which Chesterfield can take to give its citizens the opportunity to exercise more. Additionally, safe routes to school and increased public transportation would result in fewer cars on the road (a benefit to everyone). The argument that this cannot be done is invalid. Many "old" European cities have successfully implemented a more pedestrian/bike friendly lifestyle. We should be follow their lead - even discuss with these leaders how their accomplishment.
366	Traffic signals do not change for cyclists creating dangerous conditions e.g. Old Gun Road and Robious Road
367	Try to make long continuous bike trail, but not directly on a major highway/street. If on major street, at least include a small curb between major street and trail (i.e.- so cars don't weave slightly and hit bikers/walkers).
368	Turner road from Belmont Road to Hull Street really needs someplace for foot traffic and bikes to go. This is a road that sees a lot of pedestrian traffic, and the people have no place to walk.

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369	We (as a county and as a state) are too fat, out-of-shape, sedentary, and largely boring. The lack of time we spend interacting with nature and/or being active for fun makes us less fit and less aware of our environmental impact. We can't be completely to blame as few infrastructure supports are in place to encourage us to get out and get active. There are very few sidewalks in Chesterfield county. There are no connecting paths to commercial areas from more rural areas or between subdivisions. So we are forced to drive for safety reasons to go shopping, recreation, or just socializing. I believe that if we increased the biking and walking capabilities, the activity options would become a huge social and physical movement option that would be largely cost free. This would improve mental health, environmental awareness, social options for low-income people, and physical fitness of all age groups. I also would very much like for rollerblading/skating to be considered when creating these paths. While biking and walking are both good, they vary substantially in the amount of time it takes to get from point A to point B. Skating provides an option that is faster than walking (and more fun) but not as fast as biking with much smaller equipment.
370	We absolutely do not need nor is it acceptable to introduce another socialistic program for a small minority of residents at the expense of the majority. We should be reducing the cost of government rather than trying to increase it. Whose wild idea is this? It is irresponsible to promote taking more money from the taxpayer when the need is not justified.
371	We are fortunate to have cars, or we would be totally land-locked where we are, with no crossings on Hull St and no buses other than school buses.
372	We desperately need sidewalks in Chesterfield. I support new taxes and fees 100% to fund sidewalks, as well as the other funding options listed above. Thank you very much for designing this survey and for listening to residents' comments! Please help us make Chesterfield safer for children and families who would like to walk and ride more!
373	We have a great county, great parks, my wife and I both work for the county and our kids go to county schools. 100% support bike/run/walk. We feel like our lives are in danger even in the neighborhood we have had close calls and been yelled at by motorists. There is no reason my right elbow should have been buzzed by a driver side mirror of a vehicle while running. This driver was on the complete opposite side of the road in the oncoming lane to go around a parked car on her side of the road. 10 seconds or slow down we would have been just fine. Speeding in neighborhoods needs to be addressed as well. Kids should be able to ride bikes in their neighbor hood with fear.

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374	We have an opportunity to be a regional leader in becoming a bike /walk community. There is strong silent majority support for thoughtful, creative bike/walk infrastructure. It's being done in other localities around the country. Let's start with a few targeted projects with strong public supported funding (i.e. - a Bond). Thank you for creating this bike/walk survey!
375	We live on a single street neighborhood in Midlothian with nowhere to bike or run to without getting on very busy Woolridge road with no sidewalks or shoulders. Having paths or sidewalks limits us to just our street without packing things up and driving somewhere. We are a very active family that would love a path to the local elementary school less than a mile away that we could walk or bike to everyday. Just another way of keeping ourselves and our young boys healthy and active.
376	We need a leader in the area to take this issue and carry it forward. Bike facilities will enhance the community. Please create a network so children can safely ride their bikes to school. Create a network so that we can commute to our jobs. It seems far at first, But would you know that Downtown Richmond is only 6 miles from northern Henrico... Parks, Schools, and Shopping districts should be connected by a network of bikeways. In high Speed roads a separate lane pr path is necessary. Not so much in Rds that have less than 35 mph limit. Just like in other parts of the world and in the USA, people use the paths as they are built. It reduces traffic on the roads and contributes to health of the community.
377	We need access on secondary roads; that is where we all live.
378	We need lots of bike lanes. No road should be built without bike lanes or at least a paved shoulder (even 2 feet wide) separated by a white line. Road riders regularly ride 50 to 100 mile trips. That is a lot of bike lanes. Developers should be REQUIRED to put in sidewalks or bike lanes in all residential neighborhoods. All repaving projects should require a bike lane addition. 10 miles of repaving to an unsafe and unfriendly road for runners and bikers results in 10 miles of smooth road that is still unsafe and unfriendly for runners and bikers. 5 miles of smooth safe roads is a much better use of money.
379	We need more beauty spots in which to walk, with paved paths that are wide enough to accommodate people passing each other. Perhaps a pond created specifically for the purpose of recreational walking.....a wide path with shade trees, near a residential area so that it is not so isolated.
380	We need more pedestrian and bike friendly paths in the area
381	We need more running trails
382	we need sidewalks people can not walk from one shopping to another
383	we need some bike trails
384	We need to require basic sidewalks to be included in all road projects, Please !!

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385	We seriously need to start educating drivers about pedestrians and cyclists so they know how to behave around them. Cars should not be so PANICKED to see a cyclist, runner or walker. We need to start taking safety more seriously too. Someone NEEDS to start enforcing safety in crosswalks. I should not feel my life is in danger every time I use a cross walk. What the heck is it for? The cars have NO IDEA.
386	We used to live near Ironbridge and Centralia. We would walk to shopping, the library and post office. There were not enough sidewalks and you had to walk in the street. We have seen a man in an electric wheelchair riding along the edge of the road because there was no sidewalk. There wasn't a crosswalk across Ironbridge, near the historic society, so unless there is traffic waiting on the side streets you couldn't make it all the way across the road before the light changed. I think sidewalks and/or paths are very important to pedestrian safety, to increase healthily living and to reduce traffic.
387	What happened to greenways - southern Chesterfield isn't developed yet, can't walking / biking trails be mandated into the new infrastructure
388	When designing trails, make sure you separate the easier rating trails from the hardcore MTB riders.
389	When we looked at moving from our prior home, bike facilities and ability to travel by bike did play a role in our decision. Ultimately, we chose Richmond but were dissatisfied with the biking prospects.
390	when you all expanded the lanes in Chesterfield why didn't you add more crosswalks and sidewalks. Such a shame.
391	While any improvements would be great, I don't think they should come with the specter of potential tax hikes. The county, if they wish to pursue these projects, should do so via private funding, grants or budgeted dollars from county funds. These projects should not contribute toward increasing any debt levels within the county. If it is deemed that they will increase debt, then they should be indefinitely suspended until the appropriate funding can be found.
392	While there are some bike pathways here, such as on Courthouse Road, they are crazy. I see distracted drivers weaving in and out of them all the time, and it prevents me from using them. Plus. to even get to them, I would need to use roads without shoulders. Not an option! It is necessary to have bike ways, and paths between neighborhoods (such as there are near Coalfield Road. Ditto for walking or running.
393	Wide intersections at the larger shopping malls are unsafe to cross. Lights change before one can ride 6 - 8 (or more) lanes.
394	Widening back roads (major roads are just not good for recreational riding, but could be better for transportation). Marking the wider roads with a bike lane. Anything more (like separate or separated bike/walking/running paths would be welcomed, but less likely.

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395	wider shoulders on the roads would go a long way to make running/riding more accessible. rest stops would be amazing - having lived in Albany NY there was a rail trail with a parking lot that had bathrooms. riding around in the county gets tricky with no bathrooms in remote areas. drinking fountains at those stops would be great too.
396	Williamsburg & Northern VA have them! Let's get on board!!
397	Willing to be taxed, but reasonably taxed!
398	Wish Huguenot Park was as nice to run on as Rockwood Park.
399	With the number of people and resources in Chesterfield we should be leaders in central Virginia in promoting hiker/biker trails/paths not only for residents to have better access to healthy living but, to encourage out of the area visitors to come enjoy the trails/paths. These visitors might even spend a bit of money in the county as I have done when visiting biking destinations from Virginia to Wisconsin.
400	Work on the intersection at Old Gun and Robious so that it is safe to walk or bike through it.
401	Work with VDOT and State Park to use right of ways, widen right of ways and use state park land beside highways to create safe riding avenues. Especially on and along side Qualla and Beach roads. Anyone driving a car on those roads when a bicycle is presents is life threatening.
402	Would absolutely love to be able to bike to nearby neighborhoods!
403	Would like paved trails as opposed to gravel. I have a road bike
404	Would like rural roads to be expanded to include an asphalted shoulder instead of a ditch
405	Would like to see a bike lane or off road trail on Coalfield Road, something through Midlothian Village, then along Old Buckingham Road to Chesterfield Town Center
406	Would like to see trails available for schools to supplement their PE activities. The lack of shoulders throughout the county makes it difficult to ride safely for us.
407	Would love a trail like the one in Northern VA or Pinellas Trail in Florida.
408	Would love to have more paths that connect Pocahontas State Park with other roadways/communities.
409	would love to see bikes available to c-fit group
410	Would love to see sidewalks in Bon Air.
411	Would love to see us pave under the DOM transmission lines and major gas ROWs.
412	You would be amazed at how many people would bike if the infrastructure was in place. No one wants to bike on busy route 10 which is a main street to cross

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